

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--Reference is made to commonly assigned, co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial Number:[[]] 10/008,777 by Merkel et al., filed of even date herewith (~~Decket 83746~~), entitled "Ink Jet Printing Method".--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Copending U.S. Patent Application S.N. 09/608,466, filed June 30, 2000 6,475,602, relates to an jet recording element wherein the image-receiving layer contains porous polymeric particles in a polymeric binder. However, there is a problem with this element in that during preparation of the coating solution, agglomeration of the polymeric particles occurs, which when coated, results in an element having low gloss.--